

Practice Your Turning Techniques with 2x4's

This demonstration shows how low-cost 2x4's from the home center can be used for turning practice. The difficult wood tears out easily but when the tool use is correct, clean cuts are the result. In this fun demonstration I review basic cuts, beginning with some skew chisel work and turning simple tops. I then turn a square bowl and a rectangular one. The demo finishes with an elegant candlestick - all from a single piece of 2x4.

Projects:

Skew work, 2x2 - 6" long

1. Peeling cuts
2. Planing cuts
3. Vee-cuts

Two tops, 2x2 - 4" long

Square bowl, 2x4 - cut square

Rectangle bowl, 2x4 - 6" long

Candlestick

- Base, 2x4 - cut square
- Spindle, 2x2 - 8" long
- jam chuck, 2x2 - 3" long

